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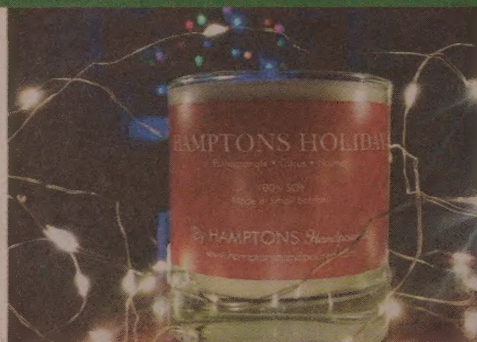
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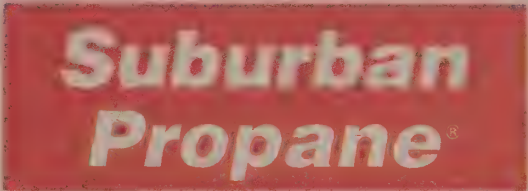
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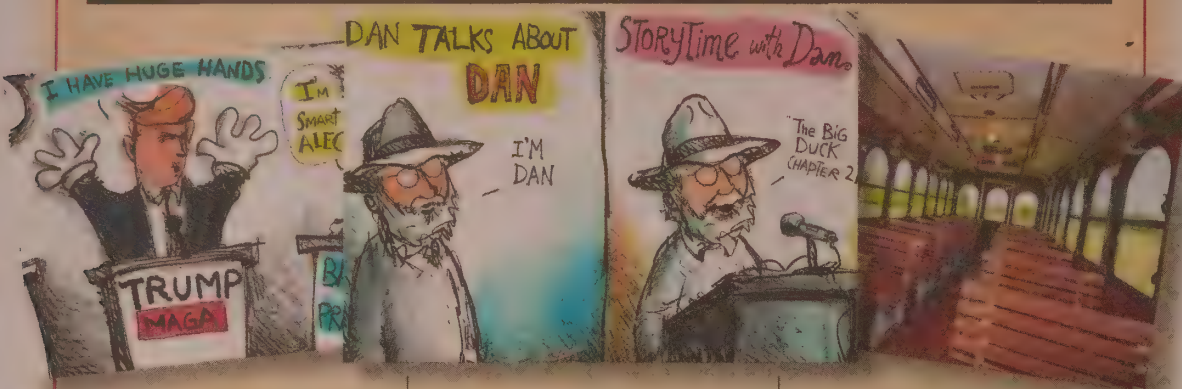


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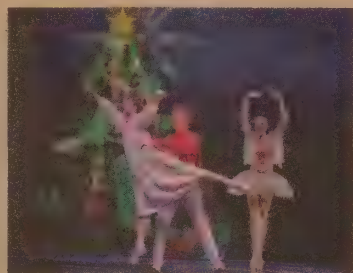
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8:00 **OPENING NIGHT FILM**—The Opera House

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Driven Blind
12:00 Crazy
1:30 The Bullish Farmer
3:30 Marvin Booker Was Murdered
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8:00 **FRIDAY NIGHT SPOTLIGHT**—Spielberg

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2017

10:00 Bean
11:30 **FILMMAKERS' CHOICE AWARD**
Into the Night: Portraits of Life & Death
2:00 Anatomy of a Male Dancer
4:00 **BREAKOUT DIRECTOR AWARD**
Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked the World

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7:00 Cocktail Buffet Reception
7:30 Lumiere Award to Liz Garbus
8:00 Film: Shouting Fire:
Stories From the Edge of Free Speech
9:30 Q&A with Liz Garbus and Martin Garbus

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12:00 **HECTOR LEONASCHNETZ ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**
I Know A Man...Ashley Bryan
1:30 **SLOANE SHELTON HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD**
The Lavender Scare
3:30 The Rape of Recy Taylor
5:30 Risk

1:00 SUNDAY NIGHT SPOTLIGHT
Letters From Baghdad

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

DOUGLAS ELLMAN COMMUNITY DAY
2:00 Eye of the Lammergeier
3:30 I Know a Man...Ashley Bryan
5:00 The Lavender Scare
7:00 **CLOSING NIGHT FILM**—Killer Bees



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Celeb celebrations: Happy birthday, **Joe Biden**! The former vice president and Hamptons regular turned 75 on November 20. **President Barack Obama** tweeted his well wishes for the occasion, and included a meme of his serious 2014 State of the Union address—with Biden grinning and pointing in the background. Happy birthday, **Scarlett Johansson**! The popular South Forker turned 33 on November 22. She celebrated with her beau, *Saturday Night Live* actor **Colin Jost**, over dinner at East Hampton's 1770 House. Congratulations, **Gwyneth Paltrow**! The Amagansett actress has become engaged to *Glee* co-creator **Brad Falchuk**. The pair became friendly when Paltrow guest-starred on *Glee* as Holly Holliday, and they went public with their relationship at **Robert Downey Jr.**'s 50th birthday party in April 2015.

On the small screens: Congrats to East End regular **Stephen Schwartz**! ABC has given a pilot production commitment to *Harmony*, a drama from the *Pippin*, *Godspell* and *Wicked* composer. Bridgehampton businesswoman **Bethenny Frankel** recently appeared on ABC's *Shark Tank* as a guest investor. During the episode, the Skinnygirl entrepreneur joined *Shark Tank* regular **Lori Greiner** in investing \$100,000 in No Mo-Stache, a young company that sells portable wax strips for women.

This issue's holiday cover marks **Michael Paraskevas**'s umpteenth holiday cover for *Dan's Papers*. Each year for the last four, Paraskevas has paid tribute to his late father-in-law, farmer Arthur Bruno, by featuring him in his holiday cover. Paraskevas's mother-in-law, **Priscilla**, still lives on her beloved farm in Manorville. Paraskevas's new illustrated book, *Poetry for Kids: Robert Frost*, is now available in bookstores and online. Also available for Kindle is a new collection of (Continued on page 30)

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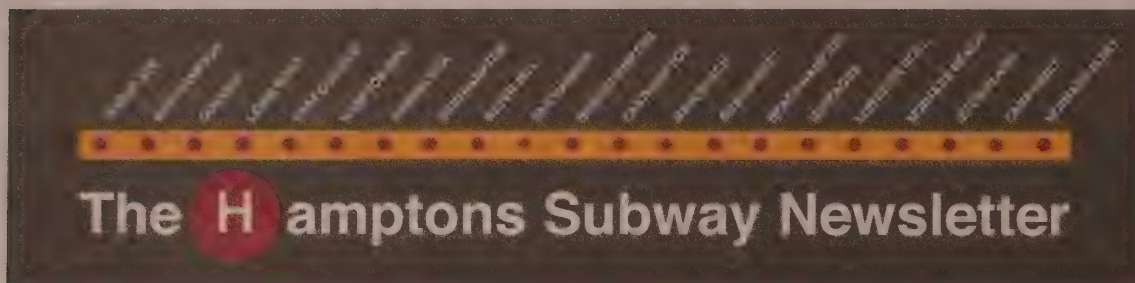
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BY DAN RATTINER

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DOWN IN THE TUBE

Seen on Hamptons Subway this week was book publisher Marty Shepard heading from Noyack to Sag Harbor on Thursday morning. He was reading a book about a swindle on a Kindle with his left hand and a book about a crook on a Nook with his right, at the same time. On his lap he had open a paperback about a six-pack—the beer, not the exercise gear.

HEIST

With all the focus here to try to prevent extreme religious incidents on the platforms, we were caught off guard by a gang of bandits on horseback wearing cowboy hats pulling off a holdup in one of the tunnels.

It happened on Monday at midnight halfway between Southampton and Water Mill. A man waving a six-shooter in his left hand, while swinging a lantern with the other, jumped out

in front of the train and got the attention of the motorman who brought the subway train quickly to a halt. After the train stopped, 14 men on horseback came out of a storage room on the south side of the tunnel shouting "Yippee ki-yay!" as they surrounded the subway train. The men then dismounted, tied their horses to the motorman's car and went in among the passengers to tie up everybody and put kerchiefs in their mouths as gags while saying, "Nobody gets hurt if you all behave." They were courteous and nice and their leader said they were the Emily Post Gang, whatever that is. They made off with stocks and bonds, jewelry and watches, cash and credit cards—picking the joint clean. We've organized a posse to go out looking for them, but because they headed out an hour behind the gang, the gang made a clean getaway. We're working on a plan for tomorrow morning, writing it down with a stick in the dirt between the tracks at the Southampton Station with everybody huddled around. We'll get 'em.

TIME MAGAZINE

Subway Commissioner Bill Aspinall was

telephoned by Time magazine telling him he was on the short list for the title of Man of the Year and wanted to know whether, if he was selected, he would be available to do jumping jacks on a high wire, sing along with a Karaoke version of "On Top of the World" by the Carpenters and then pose nude from the waist down. He said sure, but then, turns out that their selection is to be someone else. Sure put a damper in his camper after he told everybody he was a shoe-in for this job.

BETROTHED

Contrary to all accounts in the media, Prince Harry proposed to Lady Meghan Markle not after getting back from a camping trip in Botswana, Africa last Thursday, but actually on the Wednesday of the week before, here at the Wainscott Station just before heading out to the East Hampton Airport and the giant Lear Jet with the Union Jack flags fluttering on both wings which subsequently flew them directly to Johannesburg. Another feather in the Hamptons Subway hat.

COMMISSIONER ASPINALL'S MESSAGE

I've been home this week sick in bed watching old black and white movies on Turner Classic Movies. Some of them are wonderful, particularly those starring Tom Mix, who traipses around in an all-white cowboy outfit. They had a whole day of his films on Thursday. I also watched a day of Abbott and Costello movies and all the Star Wars movies, in order, one after the other on other days. And I slept a lot. 🐻



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ESTATE SALE TURNS VIOLENT

An estate sale at an East Hampton mansion went off the rails last weekend, as unprecedented crowds showed up to try to get a piece of a fabled history. Riot conditions prevailed for several hours and the Hamptons Police were never able to gain control of the situation. While the Blotter is not at liberty to divulge the actual name of the estate where the disastrous sale took place, suffice it to say that it's one that has achieved a high degree of recognition by means of a documentary, a Broadway musical and a Hollywood feature. As a consequence of

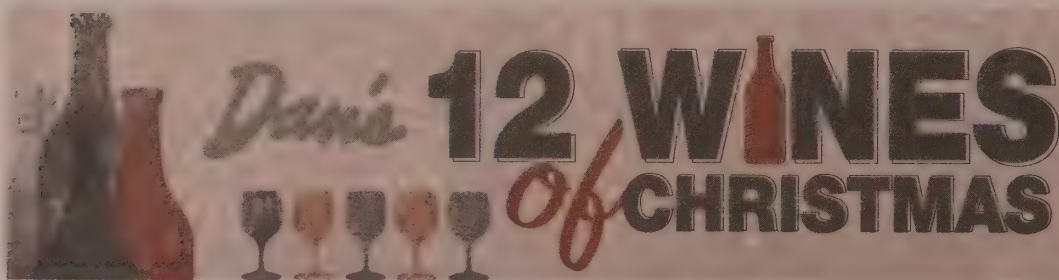
the estate's legendary status, an estimated 1,500 eager fans assembled Friday morning to get first crack at selecting from the contents of the house. "We got word of a large crowd forming down there," says Hamptons Police spokesman Larry Hirsch. "Our patrol officers went in to assess the situation, and reported that skirmishes among the buyers were already breaking out at 8:30 a.m., and the sale wasn't set to begin until 10!" Emergency workers were summoned to be on hand in case of serious injury. The precaution was warranted, according to Hirsch. "These people weren't fooling around. One woman wound up with a black eye because she was trying to get herself to the front of the line. Another woman was knocked unconscious after she tried to claim that she had dibs on a famous hotplate of some kind. This was all before the gates opened." After the gates opened, says Hirsch, all hell broke loose. "You had pandemonium—a demoralizing display of some of the most inhumane behavior I've ever seen, and a reckless disregard for human life. I'm still trying to wrap my head around it." Hirsch says that, in order to guarantee their

own safety, officers were forced to remove themselves from the premises. "We just had to sit back and watch and wait for it to be over, when we could go in and tend to the wounded." Hirsch reports that an estimated 50 attendees were treated for injuries.

WINTER'S ARRIVAL BRINGS FEARS OF DRONES

After this fall's problems with drone leaf blowers across the region, authorities are expressing worries about the possibility of drone snow blowers starting to appear in the area. "You might scoff, but then we didn't know about drone leaf blowers before, either," said Russell Fixx, who heads up landscaping regulatory activities in the Hamptons. "Then all the sudden, leaf blowers operated by remote control became a big problem around here. I wouldn't be surprised to see operator-free snow blowers come the first substantial snow fall, and so we need to get out ahead of this." Talks are ongoing. 🐻

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Montauk Turkey Trot 2017 Takes Wing

The Montauk Chamber of Commerce held its 41st Annual "Run for Fun" Turkey Trot around Fort Pond on Thanksgiving morning. A record turnout was on hand for the 3- and 6-mile races. **Photographs by Barbara Lassen**



1. Proud dad **Rich Berglin** (center) with brothers **Nick Berglin** (left), second-place winner of the 3-mile race, and **Chris Berglin** (right), second-place winner of the 6-mile race
2. **Peter Strugatz, Paul Hamilton**
3. East Hampton Police with the Turkey Trot mascot
4. First place winner #1109 **Tim Rossi** heads for the finish line of the 6-mile race
5. **Alyssa Bahel, Caroline Cashin**

Southampton Parade and Christmas Tree Lighting

The Village of Southampton held its annual parade and Christmas tree lighting ceremony on Saturday, November 25. Local fire departments added to the festivities with their colorful firetrucks while Santa Claus greeted all and wished them a Merry Christmas. **Photographs by Barbara Lassen**



All eyes were on **Santa** as he rode by on the firetruck



Boy Scout **William** was in charge of topping the hot chocolate with whipped cream



Santa waving to the excited crowd



Chenoa Brown, Kristopher, Justice, Kendel, Sabrina Bess



Southampton Show Choir sang at the tree lighting ceremony



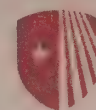
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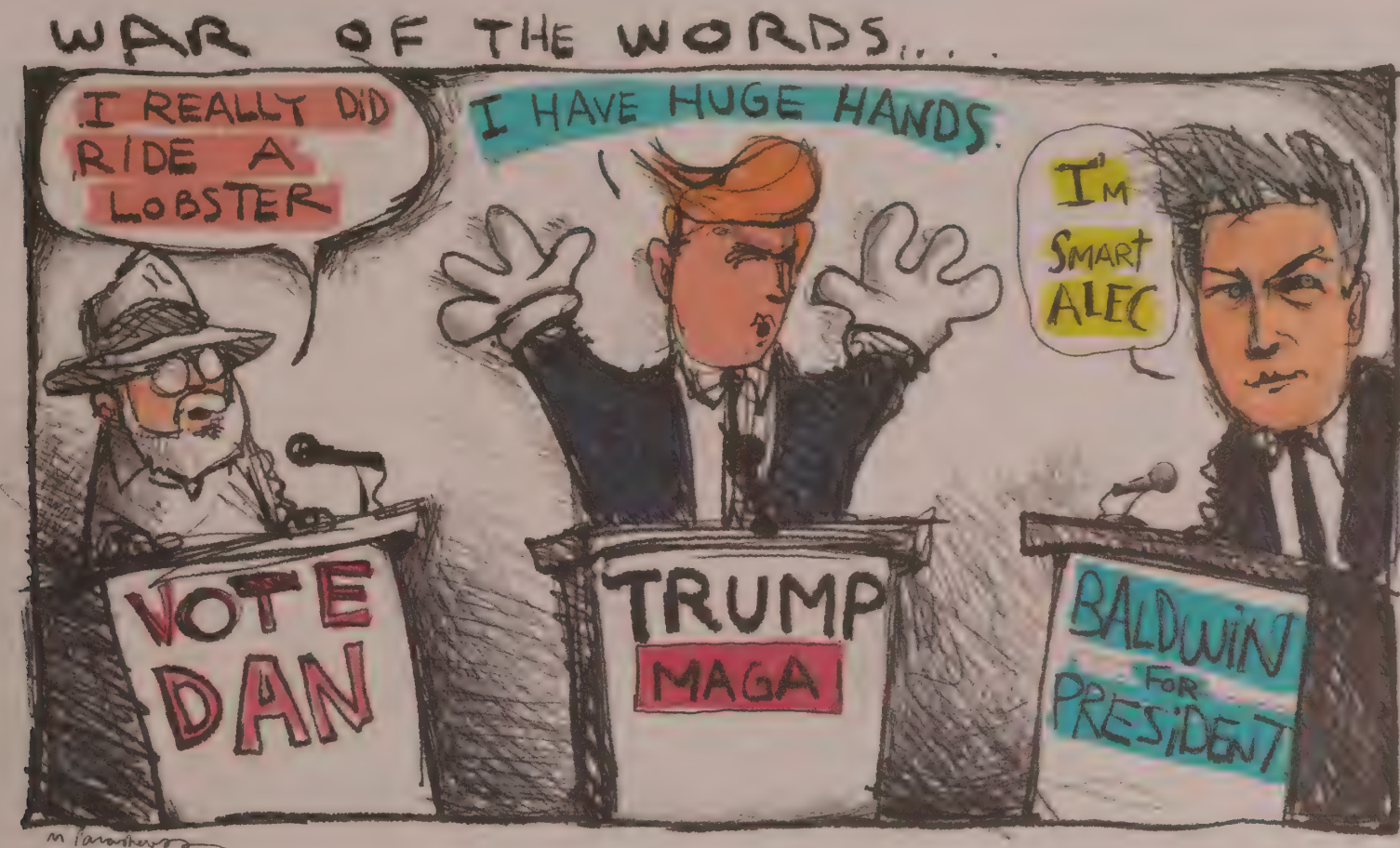
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20/20

There's Only One Democrat Who Can Beat Trump. Trump.

BY DAN RATTINER

During these last few months, Democrats have been searching madly for someone they could put forward to challenge Donald Trump in 2020. It is getting them nowhere. All suggested would be unable to deal with Trump's adolescent behavior. Trump would find a one-word insult for each of them.

He'd utter it. Elizabeth Warren would call him out for his adolescent behavior and Trump would laugh at her. Kirsten Gillibrand would listen, sit perfectly straight, blink her eyes then curse at him. Trump would try to comfort her. Chuck Schumer would bristle and lose his temper and Trump would say the word over and over, after which Schumer would apologize. Andrew Cuomo would sit there quietly and then stand up, ignore Trump and then go into a stump speech about American values and the Constitution and then sit back down, after which there would be 20 seconds of dead silence.

I can think of only two other people—one of

them is myself—who could find the appropriate response to Trump and stick it to him. The other is Alec Baldwin.

At the present time, my ringing announcement from two years ago that I would run for President in 2020 is still in the air. I threw my hat into the ring when 17 people announced for the Republican nomination in 2016. I figured that with all the money soon to fly around, I could get some for 2020. I set VOTE FOR DAN street boxes around the country, asking people to put cash in the slot on top. Nobody did. I'm disappointed and perhaps I should drop out of the race.

As for Alec Baldwin, he hasn't yet declared for the office, but he should. In a face-to-face debate, he'd hear Trump's artfully constructed single word insult, immediately transform into *Saturday Night Live* Trump and begin chastising himself for having created it. The real Trump might try other words, better words for Alec. "The Red October Person." "Liar, liar pants on fire." "Silly Alec." See? Nothing works.

The day could then come, three years from

now, when *Saturday Night Live* would feature Donald Trump, having been swept from power, using his amazing talent for adolescent behavior to caricature President Baldwin. I can see Donald now, his great swoop of hair askew, come limping with a cane down to the microphone, where he could do his best imitation.

Think about it. I bet it would be pretty good. The far right would love it. The far left would love it. Trump could then launch into his next career and take his "Alec Baldwin" on the road, appearing throughout the South and Midwest to the cheers and raves of his adoring supporters—all those out-of-work white working-class folks.

Alec Baldwin, as president, would have a lot to learn. He'd need lots of advice. But I think that in the one area Trump shines—selfishly and heartlessly in my opinion—Alec does, too. They both get things done. No one has ever accused Trump of sitting on his butt. Turns out Alec doesn't sit on his butt, either.

Some years ago, I wrote a chapter in one of my "In the Hamptons" (Continued on next page)

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books about Alec Baldwin. Here's what Alec did in that one year. He starred in three movies, one Broadway show and the TV show *30 Rock*, co-hosted the Academy Awards, hosted an awards ceremony at the Kennedy Center in Washington, attended the commencement and received an honorary degree from NYU, was a guest judge on the TV show *The Marriage Ref*, hosted a live television broadcast of the New York Philharmonic and was on *Saturday Night Live* several times. He also wrote a book about family law in America. Locally, he starred in the play *Equus* at the John Drew Theater at Guild Hall, hosted two fundraisers, founded a watchdog group to keep an eye on local politicians and their attitude toward saving the environment, co-hosted, with Billy Joel, the film *The Last Play at Shea*, about Joel's last performance at Shea Stadium, was an auctioneer for a charity, funded a lecture series of panel discussions at Guild Hall and played right field in the annual Artist-Writers Game in East Hampton.

Baldwin continues at this great pace and, after welcoming his third child with wife Hilaria last year, announced that Hilaria is again expecting.

What kind of president would Alec Baldwin make? Well, if you want to make the argument that President Trump has sent everything he can get his hands on careening off to the far right, I would predict that Baldwin would come in and send it back at least to the center where it belongs, or, more likely,

where it was when Trump took over.

Consider the latest thing in the news about Alec Baldwin, which concerns a painting he bought to display in his home here. When he's right, he's right.

Seven years ago, Baldwin contacted the prominent Manhattan art dealer Mary Boone to tell her he had seen a painting he wanted by Ross Bleckner. It was called "Sea and Mirror," and, according to a piece in *The New Yorker*, he so loved it that he kept a photograph of it in his wallet for years. If it came up for sale, could she get it for him? She said she'd try.

A few months later, Boone told Baldwin she had the painting and was "thrilled" that Baldwin wanted it. They agreed on a price of \$190,000, Baldwin paid it, and soon, he received it. It was signed, dated and stamped 7449 on the back, which was the inventory number of that particular work. *The New Yorker* reports that Baldwin thought the colors looked more vivid than he remembered them. Also, the paint smelled fresh. He asked Boone about it and she said it was because it had been owned by a heavy smoker and so, without cost to Baldwin, it had been cleaned and a few scratches repaired.

Baldwin was satisfied with that, but in 2014, after some friends told him there was something not right about this because nobody cleans a painting without consulting the owner, Baldwin confronted Bleckner about it.

Bleckner told him that, indeed, he'd painted a new one to look like the old one. The fallout from this was a civil lawsuit filed against

Boone and her gallery that was settled before trial, three weeks ago. Boone would give Baldwin a large settlement, and he could keep the painting. She would also give him several other Bleckner paintings, one of which would be painted to Baldwin's specifications.

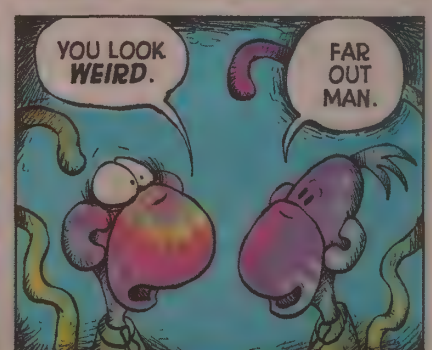
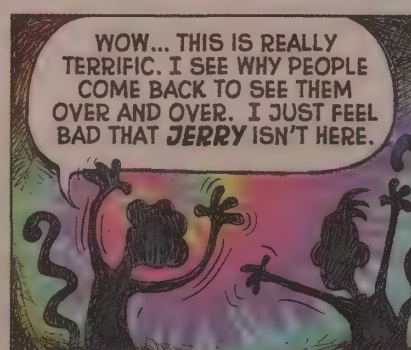
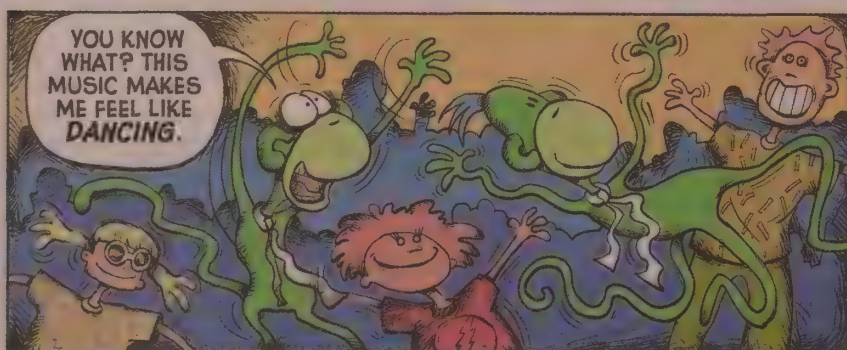
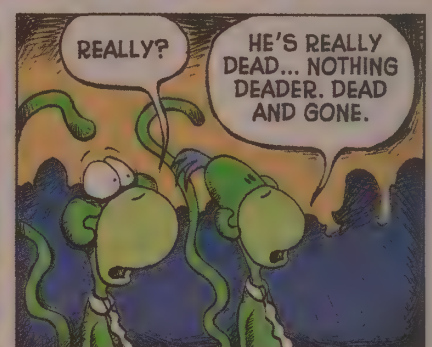
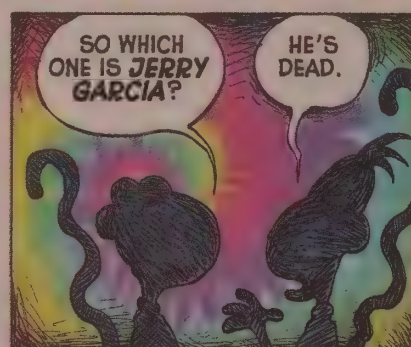
"Maybe I'll have Ross paint a picture of the seven-figure check that Mary paid me to settle," Baldwin told *The New Yorker*. He also told them he might one day take the fraudulent painting out on a cross-country tour about art fraud. "I'll call it Boonedoggle Tour," he said.

The New Yorker also reported Baldwin intended to give half of the money to help rebuild the Sag Harbor Cinema, which was destroyed by fire last winter. But it seems there was some miscommunication, and this is not going to happen. Casey Bader, at Baldwin's office, subsequently told *27East*, "The Sag Harbor pledge was something Alec made prior to the settlement, has since rethought, and will no longer be making."

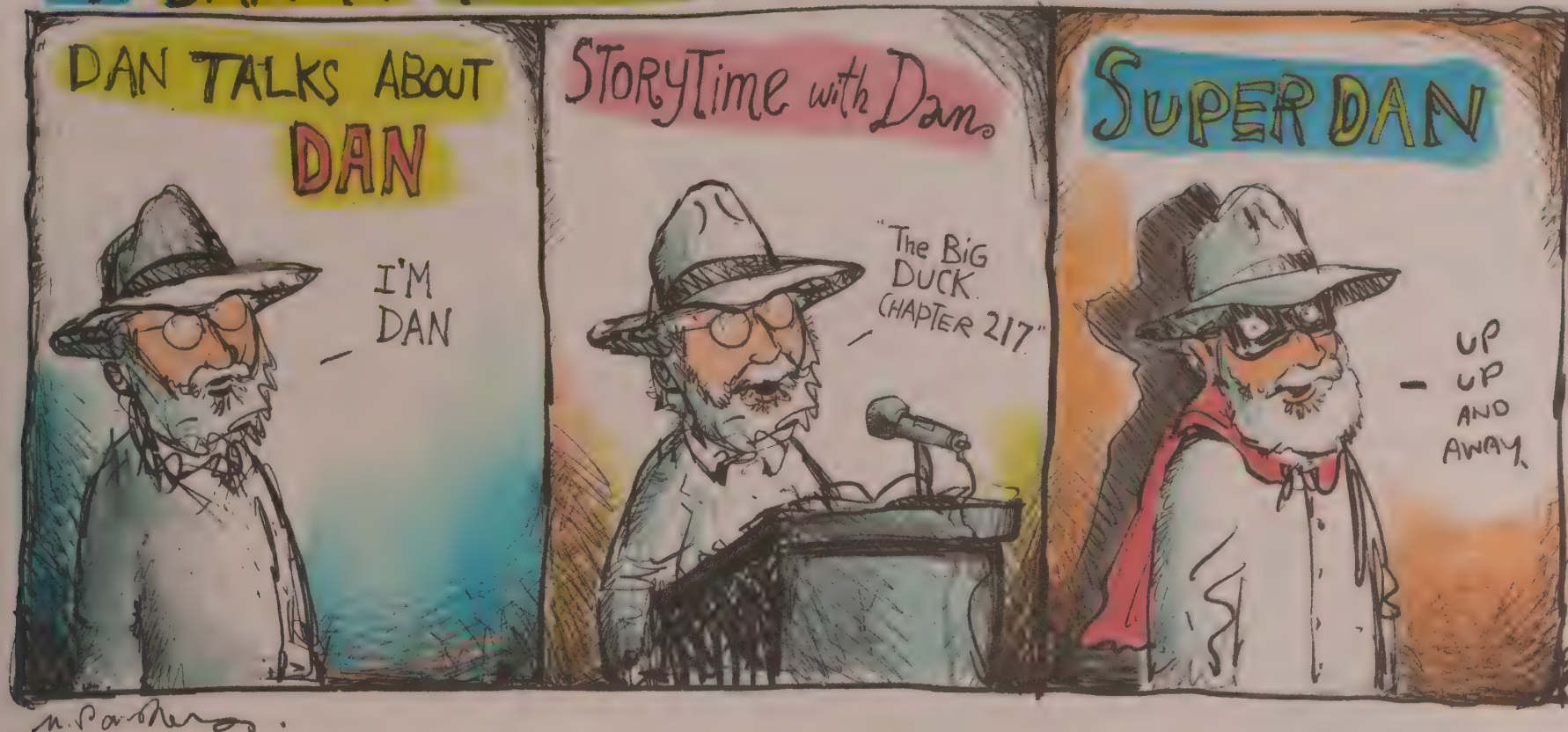
Why? It's unclear, but according to April Gornik, the head of a group intending to raise \$8 million by December 16, they are already at the \$6.25 million mark and are hopeful they will reach that goal, with or without Baldwin.

Perhaps a charitable donation elsewhere makes more sense.

And by the way, Baldwin's memoir is in bookstores. It's called *Nevertheless*, but it does not include the forthcoming years when he will be president. 🐒



ON DAN-TV TONIGHT



Dan TV

When Net Neutrality Was a Big Issue on the East End

BY DAN RATTINER

Demonstrations have begun taking place against the proposed scrapping of the "Net Neutrality Act" that President Obama passed in 2015. That act made it law that any internet access provider would have to sell that access to everybody at the same price.

Those in favor of scrapping that law say that this will allow providers—Comcast, Cablevision, Time Warner, Verizon, AT&T, etc.—to expand their businesses better. Opponents say it will reduce competition and discourage startups. A provider could charge one thing for Netflix but another for Hulu or whatever else comes along. They could block Hulu or Netflix altogether—unless you pay.

I say this is also an East End story. We had this battle before.

Sometime in the late 1960s, a guy named Charles Dolan founded Cablevision. It was, at that time, one of several companies that were providing cable channels to Long Island. Another was Sammons Communications,

mostly active on the East End. They had wires on telephone poles up some streets but not others.

Dolan bought Sammons and then the other cable companies one after the other. By the late 1970s, Dolan had a virtual monopoly on cable channel access on Long Island.

Around that time, I was thinking of finding new ways to spread the word about *Dan's Papers*, and it occurred to me to approach Cablevision about doing it. It would be great if we could have our own channel. What would it cost?

Boy did I get a shock. By this time, Dolan had begun to create cable channels on his own. He'd be the access provider, and he'd provide some of the channel content, too. This is not widely known, because Dolan sold some of the channels he created, and others got merged into larger companies, but he founded HBO, AMC, IFC, SciFi, Comedy Central, Sundance, Bravo, The Playboy Channel and the local TV news channel News 12 Long Island. There was room for hundreds of channels. I thought

there should be a Dan's TV for the Hamptons. What I got told when I inquired was that there would be no channel available to me because I was a competitor. Advertisers would have commercials on their News 12 channel. Cablevision certainly wouldn't want another company having a local channel.

I went ballistic. He couldn't be allowed to decide what would be on the cable. He was the only game in town. And he was a PROVIDER, like the company that provided the telephone wires. You couldn't say one person could make a phone call but not another person. Access to it had to be equal for all. I got nowhere. There would never be a Dan's TV. I considered this a full-blown attack on the First Amendment's Freedom of the Press. How could this be legal?

Nobody likes a monopoly, not then and not now. And boy did Cablevision play like a monopoly, I thought. Early on, they had specially equipped trucks that went around through the towns trying to detect families that were illegally hooking up their service to their homes. They filed lawsuits against (Continued on next page)

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some people. "Theft of Service" is a crime. They wanted people prosecuted.

One man they caught was a Vietnam War veteran named Ron Campsey. Campsey owned the New Moon Café in East Quogue and he and his wife lived upstairs. He paid for the cable to come to the bar in his restaurant. But he added a cable to the apartment upstairs so his kids could watch *Sesame Street*.

I went to bat for Campsey in the paper. But Cablevision never backed down. Why should they? For a time, it looked like Campsey might go to jail. Certainly, he wasn't getting Cablevision anymore. He could get the main network channels from an antenna. That was it. He didn't have cable TV for years.

Maybe I could bring down Cablevision because

they strung their wires on supposedly public telephone poles. Who gave them permission? But it turned out that some poles belonged to the telephone company and other poles belonged to the lighting company, and they really didn't care who had lines up there. Anybody could get permission.

Battles over Cablevision's suppression of access continued. Dolan got into battles with rival telecom companies over the airing of the MSG Network, YES, the NFL Network, the Tennis Channel and ESPN3. Sometimes content would be blacked out.

Another example of this kind of behavior was how Cablevision dealt with the requests from towns and villages to have a public channel on the service. Cablevision, and other cable



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companies around the country, fought against it. Eventually, laws were passed requiring them to offer up a free public channel, so they had to do it. In East Hampton, a wealthy philanthropist named Frazer Dougherty put up a lot of money to build a whole studio, free for public use, on Industrial Road in that town. For more than a decade after this was built and up and running, Cablevision carried it, but it was blurry. Somehow the cable coming from LTV to Cablevision didn't work properly. Only Cablevision could fix it, it seemed.

Proponents say scrapping net neutrality will reduce competition. A provider could charge one thing for Netflix but another for Hulu.

I continued to go after Cablevision in any way I could think of. Meanwhile, I had Cablevision in my house. Without it, there was no cable TV.

In 1985, I got a phone call from the Public Relations Department at Cablevision telling me that times had changed and I should let bygones be bygones. They wanted me to come over to their offices in Melville to see their operation. I said forget it.

That same year, DirecTV came to town. And that was the end of Cablevision in my house. I still use DirecTV today and think it's a fine service. But as it happens, there is also still a vestige of Cablevision at my house. Their Optimum WiFi service sneaks in as a wire through a hole in a wall. That's it.

A few years ago, a European company called Altice bought a majority interest in Cablevision (called Optimum) for several billion dollars. I've been tempted to go with them now that my battle is over. Maybe I'll get around to that someday.

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Polar Express, "Lady Bird" Review, Zeldin Plays the Game

BY DAN RATTINER

"BELDIN"

Lee Zeldin is the Congressman from this district, and a Republican. That matters because in the current state of white heat between our two political parties, Zeldin is being targeted to be swept out of office by Democrats. This has been a largely Democratic district, and Democrats have held sway for years.

Zeldin, from the beginning, has tried to portray himself as a moderate Republican. It's possible to make that case, but last week came the remarkable announcement that Steve Bannon would headline a fundraiser for him on December 14 in Manhattan.

For those that have been living under a rock, Steve Bannon is the chief of Breitbart News, one of the most right-wing, fake-news, dangerous organizations imaginable. His "news" celebrates the Ku Klux Klan, anti-Semites, the wildest of the redneck bigots and the neo-Nazis. If he had his way, Bannon would surely consider the likes of me, a member of the media, as someone who belongs in jail. He is a clear and present danger to the American democracy we all hold so dear.

Anyway, Bannon was hired to be the chief advisor to Donald Trump at the beginning of his presidency, and it was on Bannon's watch that Trump, completely blind to the idea you can't

banish people because of religion and where they came from, issued the executive order that resulted in thousands of people on airplanes from six particular countries—professors, scientists, grandparents, whoever they were—getting off aircraft at JFK after a six-hour flight from Europe and elsewhere, then having to get back on the next plane to return to where they came from. It went on for two weeks until finally a court that followed the laws of the American Constitution said, no, you can't do that. And so finally things returned to normal.

If you watch *Saturday Night Live*, it was Bannon who was portrayed as a 10-foot-tall devil telling a relatively tiny, oblivious, 6-foot-tall Donald Trump (played by Alec Baldwin) what to do, such as sit at a little tiny desk while Bannon sits at the President's desk in the Oval Office just adjacent and takes all the incoming phone calls from the American Fuhrer and so forth and so on. Fortunately, President Trump after a time banished Bannon. Now Bannon is back doing God's work at Breitbart News again. My fellow Democrats and Republicans, you know what that is.

Except now, here he is again! Arthur Schwartz, who is co-hosting the fundraiser, confirmed to *Newsday* that Bannon, introduced by Lee Zeldin, will be will be the star of the fundraiser and the reason you came.

Where is it? Just follow all the folks wearing white sheets or Nazi armbands pushing their way past African-Americans, Muslims, Jews, Mexicans and members of the media who are secretly conspiring to keep the status quo.

VISIT THE NORTH POLE

Move over, Pumpkintown, here comes the North Pole.

A wonderful thing for families to do in the autumn in the Hamptons is to go to Hank's Pumpkintown, a wonderful pop-up village full of rides, games and mazes and pumpkin picking that springs up every year in the fall between Southampton and Water Mill. As a pop-up village just to the west of the Parrish Art Museum, it causes traffic jams for the happy families who come there with their kids, but then, at the beginning of November, it closes up tight for the year.

Now, joining the Hamptons for the first time, is a new pop-up village called the North Pole, which takes over where Pumpkintown leaves off, staying open between November and the end of December. You don't use your car to get there. You go there by Polar Express from the Omni in Southampton—though not a steam engine train as in the movie, but as an old-fashioned Christmas trolley car. Also, nobody knows where this place (Continued on next page)

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is until you get there, which takes 30 minutes. It's sort of a mystery ride. And it all continues until just before Christmas Day, because the North Pole has to clear everything out of the way to come deliver the toys to the kids in the Hamptons by sleigh and reindeer on the night of December 24. Then like any pop-up, it's gone.

Also, the North Pole has nothing to do with the Pumpkintown pop-up. Different pop-up, different company.

You know how Pumpkintown worked. Here's some specifics about how the trip to the North Pole works. A Polar Express trolley car leaves the Omni from Thursday through Sunday, four times each day between 4:30 and 8:30 p.m. It's dark out when it leaves, but inside the trolley car jingle bells ring, the Polar Express music is played and the book *The Polar Express* is read by Liam Neeson (by recording). In addition, there are some of the characters from the *Polar Express* movie in that car who you can talk to, and the conductor, in his old-fashioned conductor uniform like in the movie, cuts everybody's gold ticket, and snacks are served.

Half an hour later, the trolley arrives at the North Pole, which, because it's cold outside, is indoors in a big warehouse building all decked out with busy elves and decorations and music and snacks and presents, and each kid gets to sit on Santa's lap, interact with the elves and other residents, enjoy a light show, and then, after a bit, amidst fond and sad farewells, the kids and their parents go out to the trolley outside and are led home. On the way, hot

cocoa and cookies are served to anyone who is still awake and another 30 minutes later you're back in Southampton.

The cost is \$53 per person, everybody is encouraged to wear pajamas, and at the end of the adventure, the children **MUST**, that is **MUST**, go home. They cannot stay at the North Pole. Also, everybody has to be over two years old. A similar North Fork trolley leaves at the same time from The All-Star bowling alley at 96 Main Road in Riverhead.

LADY BIRD

Went to see the movie *Lady Bird* at the East Hampton Cinema last week. This is a five-plex, but on this night the heat was off in two of the theaters inside the building, and *Lady Bird* was in one of those two but also in another theater with heat, so we said we'd sit in the one with the heat. That was sold-out, though. So, anyway, we watched it without the heat.

This movie theater has had structural problems since it was built. I've been around a while. An earlier movie theater called the Edwards Theatre, made of wood, burned down around 1965. So they built the new theater out of cinderblocks and concrete. In building it, there was a delay because one wall went up crooked. But they fixed it. Then over the years they've had lots of other problems such as broken bathroom pipes, floods, electrical problems and now, on this day, a heating problem. It's like the movie theater itself is a movie, going

from one big crisis to another and you never know what's going to happen until you get there.

Anyhow, when the movie started in our cold theater, I got to my feet to try to get out. On the screen was the wrong movie. It starts in the present day in a Catholic School and the stars are teenagers, and I'm thinking, Where is Lyndon? How could this be about Lady Bird Johnson? Is there going to be a 50-year flashback? We'd wanted to see this. It certainly was a very timely idea to make a movie about that First Lady all those years ago. Lady Bird Johnson was quite a controversial figure at the time.

But I got pulled back down. This was about another Lady Bird. A high school student who is 17 called Lady Bird. It's about a young girl coming of age, made by movie-making people not much older than the young actors in the show. Don't they know about Lady Bird Johnson? This is what happens when young people don't learn anything because everything is on Google. Anyway, I stayed down.

Also in the middle of the movie, an usher came down the center aisle using his flashlight to guide his way so he could attend to what looked like a control panel at the front of the theater alongside the screen that might have been for the heat. We'd been able to come up and down the aisle without a flashlight. And this was a distraction. What made him so special?

Other than these problems, this is a very good movie. So that's my review. 🐼

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Living Life to Its Fullest at The Villa at Westhampton



Southampton, New York finally has its very own Assisted Living Community, a long awaited, welcome event. Brand new construction completed in 2017, the Villa, located at 68 Old Country Road, opened its doors in August of 2017 and swiftly attracted folks from across the Island and New York, as well as from other States, and even other countries! One resident at the Villa has family in England who was concerned for a local loved one, living on her own, and was comforted to have the opportunity for their loved one to move in to the nearby Villa, with all of the comforts and independence of home, together will support and assistance if necessary. Often times the decision to move into an assisted living can be overwhelming for both the client and their loved ones. At the Villa, the entire team is committed to helping residents and their families face these challenges, review all options and ensure optimal placement to promote quality living. Working with each resident and their families, as a cohesive dedicated team, throughout the decision process has helped The Villa swiftly build a wonderful, respected and cohesive core community. The Villa also has a number of reservations for open units, and anticipates filling the remaining units over the coming months. The Villa at Westhampton is thankful to be called home by many active seniors who value their independence, in a maintenance free environment, with the secure knowledge that medical care and companionship are readily available.

The Villa at Westhampton features a beautiful, classic, architectural design with spacious common areas serving as a social environment for residents to enjoy, mingle, and socialize. Our community offers various lifestyle options with choices of apartment floor plans, full schedule of activities, various menu options and personalized nursing services to meet the needs of each resident. The Villa's goal is to enable the residents to maintain a healthy and independent lifestyle with support and assistance accessible at all times. Throughout the aging process some residents experience the need for additional assistance and with that in mind the Villa designed services to promote the ability for aging in place. The Villa at Westhampton's Legacy Memory Care caters to residents who require additional care due to the onset of Alzheimer's or Dementia and is focused on creating a calm, serene environment, encouraging health and wellness of the mind, body and soul.

The Villa at Westhampton is proud to have quickly become an active partner in the Southampton community and join in the role of servicing residents and the public. The Villa is a member of the Greater Westhampton Chamber of commerce, a participant in the Alzheimer's Association, and has already been a sponsor of the Walk to End Alzheimer's. The Villa works closely with all local hospitals, rehabilitation facilities, home care agencies, therapy and medical providers to serve as a member of a continuum in health care to meet the needs of its residents. The Villa is conveniently located across the street from Southampton's renowned skilled nursing facility, Westhampton Care Center and has an established relationship to coordinate resident care when the need for rehabilitation or skilled monitoring arises.

As part of a continuum providing quality long term care services in assisted and independent living for nearly two decades, the Villa takes pride in having a dedicated and experienced team representing a tradition of excellence in health care. The Villa welcomes and invites you all to come join, The Villa at Westhampton, in our ribbon cutting event in celebration of our community seniors and in promotion of maximizing enjoyment of life and highlighting the special characteristics throughout all stages of living.



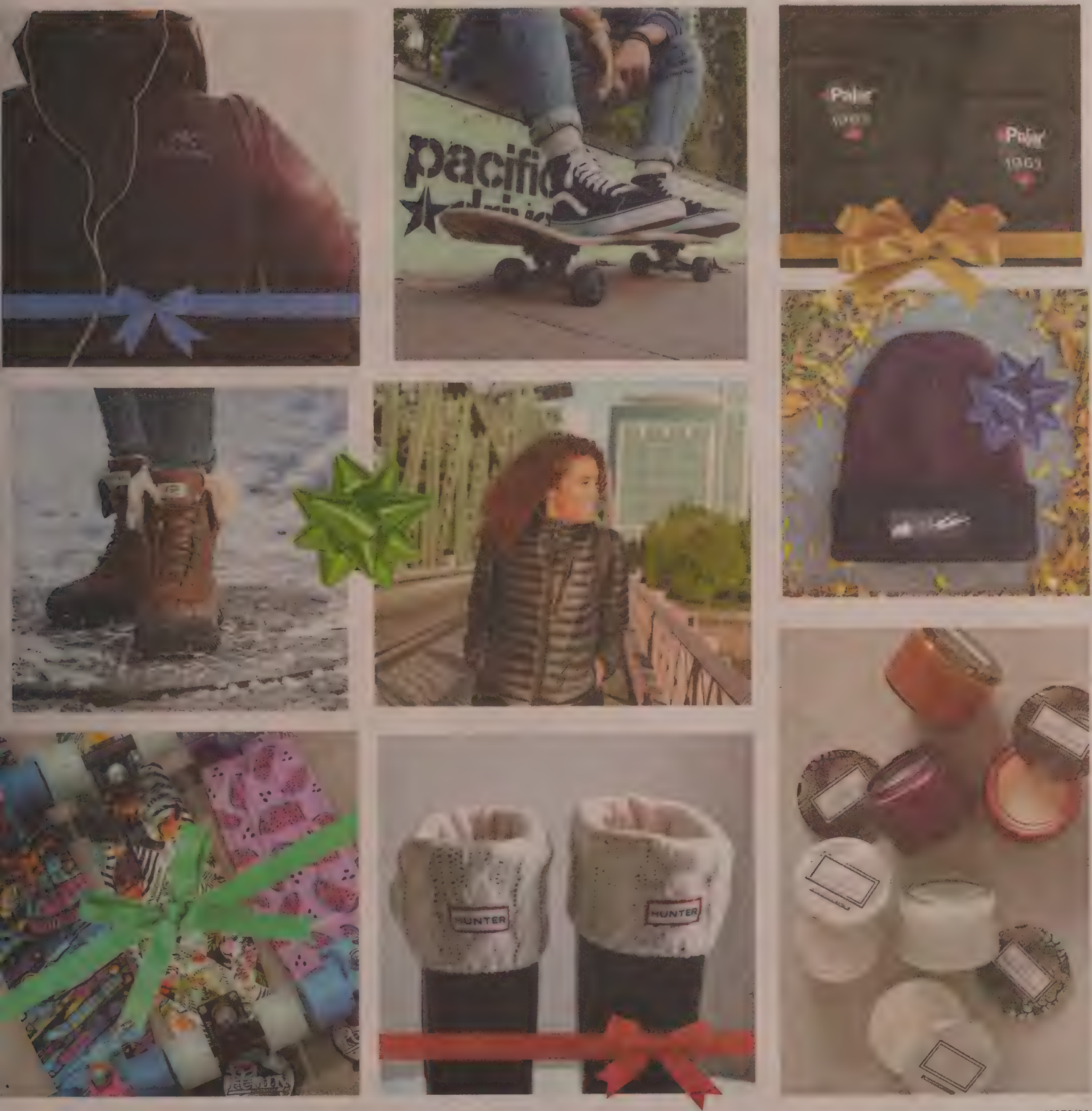
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Lili and Derek comics. The comic is written with his wife, the lovely **Maria Bruno**. Next year *Dan's Papers* will celebrate Paraskevas's 30th anniversary with the magazine. His *Green Monkeys* comic strip continues every week in the magazine and on michaelparaskevas.com.

Hamptonite and *Good Morning America* anchor **George Stephanopoulos** hosted the Child Mind Institute's Advocacy Award gala last Monday. The event, which raised \$7.1 million, was held at Manhattan's Cipriani 42nd Street.



Claudio Pilato

Claudia Pilato, Vice President, Director of Marketing at BNB, was named one of the Long Island Power Women in Business for 2017. Pilato, along with about 30 other women, was recognized for her professional prowess and her commitment to her community at an event at Burton & Doyle Steak House in Great Neck on Thursday, November 30. The ceremony was hosted by television personality **Donna Drake**.

Buying power: East Hampton domestic diva **Martha Stewart** debuted a new skincare line on QVC last week. Stewart collaborated with Mario Badescu for the products, designed to beautify skin for women of any age. Bridgehampton's **Sarah Jessica Parker** opened her first New York City pop-up shop last week. The store, located at 52nd Street and Fifth Avenue, offers SJP shoes, accessories and exceptional customer service, as Parker intends to be present for much of its 10-day run. The fashion-passionate *Sex and the City* actress told *Vogue* of the location, "It's a very New York space and these are very New York bones. I have a sentimental attachment to this street, actually, because when I played Annie on Broadway, it was right down the street!" She added, "And **Billy Joel** has this album called *52nd Street* that I love." South Fork supermodel **Christie Brinkley** recently headed up island to sign bottles of her Bellissima Prosecco at Stew Leonard's Wines in Farmingdale. Brinkley's line of bubbly is made with organic grapes and boasts zero sugars and artificial flavors.

East Hampton's **Neil Patrick Harris** hosted the Elton John AIDS Foundation Fall Gala at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York last month. Guests included (Continued on page 32)

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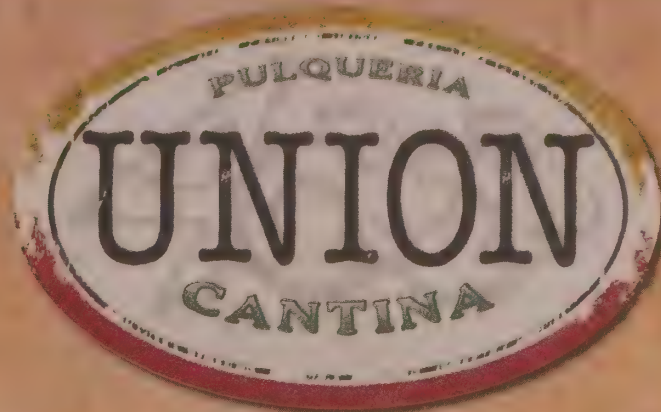
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fellow South Forkers **Alec** and **Hilaria Baldwin** as well as **Sting**, **Trudie Styler**, **Aretha Franklin**, **Sir Elton John** and others.

Winners: East End Arts 13-year-old piano student **Katerina Reich** was named Grand Prix Winner of the Concert Festival International Competition. On Sunday, November 12, Reich performed at the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall in the program Celebrating 9th Season Opening. Reich also recently received the Ranny Reeve Memorial Scholarship Award, from East End Arts. **Tatiana Balepina** became Reich's teacher in 2010 at East End Arts. And congratulations to **Ba'Ase Gilbert**, the 7th grader at Hampton Bays Middle School, who is the recipient of the 2017 Frances Ligon Memorial Scholarship. Gilbert plays in World Drumming at his school as well as for the youth ministry choir at the Friendship Baptist Church in Riverhead, where the Harvest Gospel Concert has convened for the past 31 years. His biggest supporter was his grandmother, Annie Bell, who was also his caregiver since birth. She was

the one who recognized his interest in drums at an early age. Bell passed away in 2016, and Ba'Ase has vowed to try to be the best that he can be to honor her memory. His heart's desire is to attend Howard University in Washington, DC when he graduates from high school. The scholarship was inaugurated in 2007 in honor of the memory of Frances Ligon, who served on the Board of Directors for the East End Arts from 2005 to 2007. She was a well-known advocate for the arts and for youth education throughout the East End community, as well as avid gospel singer since childhood. Gilbert is currently taking drum lessons with **Rick DeLuca** at East End Arts School. This is the second year that he has been awarded this scholarship.

The One Kings Lane Studio designers recently teamed up with renowned interior design writer and influencer **Will Taylor** of Bright.Bazaar to create a sophisticated and elevated vacation home in Southampton. Taylor's holiday home incorporates deep rich hues, mid-century accent pieces and touches of chinoiserie, making it the perfect space for a retreat from the city with an excellent ambiance for entertaining friends and family.

Foodie bites: Turnout for the 41st Annual Run for Fun Turkey Trot around Montauk's Fort Pond on Thanksgiving morning was greater than ever before. It was a beautiful day and there were so many participants to register, the race had to be delayed by 15 minutes.

(See photos on page 19.) Rumor has it that the local foursome behind Montauk Rumrunners is working to erect a local distilling operation. No more "running?" Bridgehampton Cookbook author and real estate maven **Hillary Davis** gave another cooking demonstration to a sold-out crowd at the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton last month. Attendees swooning over Davis's "naked meatballs" and warm vichyssoise included designer—and legendary hostess—Bridgehampton's **Maria Scotto**.

Where they dine: Power couple **Danny Peary** and **Suzanne Rafer** lunched at the Corner Bar in Sag Harbor last Friday with friends. They enjoyed their usual, off-the-menu broiled fish sandwiches. Celebrate the holidays and support our kids! The Topping Rose House in Bridgehampton and Celebrity **Chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten** are teaming up to benefit The Bridgehampton Child Care & Recreational Center with a culinary evening featuring three courses of exquisite dining, cocktails and wine this Saturday, December 2, at 6:30 p.m., visit bhccrc.org for reservations.

Overheard at the Jedediah Hawkins Inn in Jamesport last Sunday: "There's no such thing as goat milk...there's goat cheese." See related story on page 40.

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i-hamptons founder, Ashley John Heather and wife Diana Heather



Riptide 2017 Winner Danielle Candela, Founder Tote Taxi



i-hamptons panel holding Sink or Swim paddles: Jeff Brodlieb, Kathleen King, Bion Barting, David Bohnett, Southampton Mayor Michael Irving.



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Riptide 2017 Audience Award Winner Ben Conard, Founder Five North Chocolate and family. Mike Smit, Kate Conard, Chris Conard, Ben Conard, Susan Conard

Last Saturday, November 25, i-hamptons hosted its last event of the year, a *Shark Tank*-inspired start-up pitch competition. The event drew a standing-room-only crowd at the Southampton Arts Center. Southampton Mayor Michael Irving was the guest of honor and helped light up the event before heading to light the Southampton Village Christmas tree. Local celebrity entrepreneur Kathleen King, founder of nationally known Tate's Bake Shop, was one of four panelists who selected TOTE TAXI as the first prize winner, and it was an enthusiastic participating audience who voted for the second award winner—FIVE NORTH CHOCOLATE. The other Riptide panelists, entrepreneurs Bion Barting, founder of EOS Products, David Bohnett, founder of Geocities and Jeff Brodlich, partner at Centripetal Capital—are all investors in early stage start-ups.

Congratulations to winners Daniella Candela, founder of Tote Taxi (an app powering a hassle-free delivery service bringing bags to and from the Hamptons), and Ben Conard, founder of Five North Chocolate (healthy, fair trade dark chocolate snacks), who won \$15,000 and \$10,000 start-up funding

respectively. In addition, they will receive annual membership at Southampton's first co-working space—The Spur—and also WorkHouse in NYC. Finally, all finalists will receive valuable support and mentoring from the experienced panel of judges.

"The Riptide event proved to be successful, inspiring, encouraging and fun!" said Kathleen King. "I'm so grateful to have i-hamptons in our community, contributing to help others achieve their dreams. There's an underbelly of amazing people making things happen and supporting each other."

Twenty local entrepreneurs submitted new business ideas that were presented in videos on the i-hamptons website. These generated more than 3,000 online votes in the two-week period leading up the finale event. The three other local finalist start-ups were Premex (digital media focused on luxury advertising), Doc Power (green energy generator) and Sweet Vineyards (wine-infused biscotti).

Before the event, a lively crowd exchanged ideas around tables filled with hors d'oeuvres and fall drinks donated by The Southampton Social Club, one of i-hamptons's sponsors. Presenters gathered and exhibited their

products in the Innovators' Lounge. Alongside local patrons, other sponsors whose generosity enabled the \$25,000 grant, included Montauk Brewing Coming, 91 East, Workhouse, Shepherd Consulting Group, Cove Capital, Silicon Valley Bank, Palmer Vineyards, Dan's Hamptons Media, WELJ 1047, Hamptons Luxury Liner, Farrell Fritz Attorneys, The Jeremy Ryan Team at Corcoran, Omnigon and The Spur.

Wrapping up, Ashley John Heather, Riptide MC and founder of i-hamptons, talked about what's next. "i-hamptons is just getting started on its mission to connect all the local innovators and start-ups, providing a platform of services to help accelerate their growth. Saturday's Riptide event demonstrated that the East End is alive with entrepreneurial spirit and we look forward to seeing the community grow in the coming few years!" He also invited people to check out i-hamptons' new co-working space and innovation lab—The Spur—when it opens in January at the Southampton Social Club.

Want to submit a start-up company for the 2018 Riptide: Sink or Swim event? Go to i-hamptons.com/riptide2018submission. For more photos of Saturday's Riptide 2017 check out i-hamptons.com/riptide2017summary.

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Montauk Brewery Celebrates 5 Years of Beers

BY BRIAN CUDZILO

Can you believe 2017 was Montauk Brewing Company's (MBC) 5th anniversary!? "It's funny," Vaughn Cutillo, one of three co-founders says, "I think about that a lot. We've accomplished so much since putting the plan together for MBC. It's gone by super fast." We spoke to Cutillo and Eric Moss, another co-founder and brewmaster at MBC, to discuss the past, present and future of this Dan's Best of the Best Platinum brewery.

Were the three founders all friends before leaving Long Island for university?

Vaughn Cutillo: We all grew up on the East End. I'm born and raised in Montauk, Eric Moss is from Wainscott and Joe Sullivan is from East Hampton. We all grew up together and graduated from East Hampton High School. The three of us were also ocean lifeguards in Montauk for East Hampton Town. That was the most fun I've had at a job—until starting a brewery!

How did you turn MBC from a basement brewing operation into what it is today?

VC: We started brewing as a hobby. We'd brew five or 10 gallons in my basement and invite friends over for summer barbeques. We put a sticker on a Kegerator that said "Montauk Brewing Company." In 2010 we built the business plan and on June 30, 2012 we opened our doors to the taproom. The first beer we dialed in at the home brew level, and eventually launched the company with, was an English Style Pale Ale, Driftwood Ale. Since

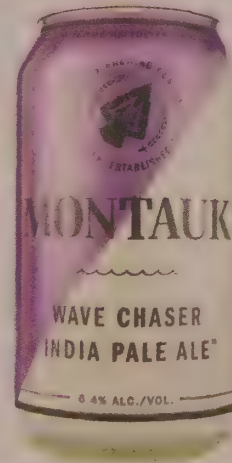
then we've added Wave Chaser IPA and a Session IPA. Those three are our signature, year-round beers. Our summer seasonals, Montauk Summer Ale and Montauk Watermelon Session, came later. Those two are absolute monsters for distribution. We've been lucky that our fans are so supportive, and this year our production will put us in the top 100-brewery list by production and sales volume. (There are 6,000 breweries in the U.S.)

Do you have a favorite Montauk beer?

EM: Mine is Wave Chaser IPA, the purple can. It has great citrus and grapefruit notes. Another fan favorite is Truth Serum Pale Ale, a beer we brewed with our friends at Truth Training [fitness center] in East Hampton. We're an active bunch here on the East End, surfing, swimming, fishing, sailing, and spending most of our time outdoors. Brewing Truth Serum was a nod to that—work hard, play hard and earn your beer!

Do you plan to add more beers to your catalog?

VC: Eric Moss is always dialing in existing recipes as well as experimenting with new styles. We'll see what 2018 brings, but you can be sure we have some exciting things coming up. Eric's focus is on brewing the best possible beer he can, and it's been super impressive to see how confident he's gotten in the past few years. He and Riley Sullivan have been making some phenomenal beers in Montauk.



MBC beer is only available in cans and kegs. Does that in any way affect the quality, taste or brewing process? Is there a reason you can instead of bottle?

VC: Cans are perfect for our brand. If you're heading to the beach or on the boat, you don't want glass. Cans are portable as well and are best to preserve quality. No light can penetrate the can, which helps the quality of the liquid. Our nautical, color-coded branding is also perfect to use with the can format.

Where do you see yourselves, and MBC, in five more years?

VC: When we started the company in 2012, I didn't think we'd be where we are today, selling this much beer and building such a strong brand with such loyal fans.

We've been fortunate to also build a very strong team consisting of locals, from Riley Sullivan (brewer) to Erin Burns (Brewery Manager), along with several others. We want to continue to build that team. We have some pretty aggressive growth goals and want to keep the quality and consistency as we grow (which we invest heavily in and take very seriously). It's exciting and kind of scary at the same time—and I love every single second of it.

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The Nutcracker in Westhampton Beach

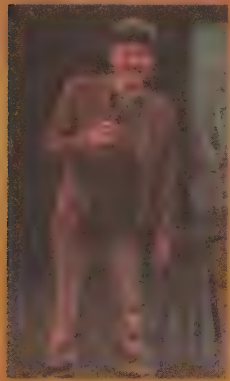
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The **Christ Episcopal Church of Sag Harbor's Christmas Boutique** will be held from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Carter Room at 4 East Union Street. They'll have wreaths and tabletop trees for sale at the entrance to the church. And this year a hot dog stand! Their "Christmas Tea" costs \$10 at the door and will include tea sandwiches and cakes and cookies. Shop for antiques, Christmas decorations, linens, jewelry, china, gift baskets, crafts from Haiti and baked goods, including gluten-free cakes and muffins, cookies and breads. All proceeds from this sale will go to the village of Chermaitre in Haiti. This year, because of hurricane damage, their needs are great.

7th Annual Wooden Wonderland: Carvers Holiday Show & Sale will be held at the Suffolk County Historical Society from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The sale features handmade carvings by local craftsmen. Free admission. 300 West Main Street, Riverhead. 631-727-2881 suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org

While shopping in **Southampton Village**, you may also enjoy horse and buggy rides from 1-4 p.m. Santa visits from 1:30-3:30 p.m., and there will be light refreshments. Southampton Arts Center and Rogers Memorial Library, 25 Jobs Lane and 91 Coopers Farm Road. 631-283-0402 southamptonchamber.com. Also running on 12/16.

Shop the **Sag Harbor Whaling and Historical Museum Gift Shop** during the 4th Annual Holiday Cocktail Party & Fundraiser from 5-7 p.m. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served. \$25 in advance, \$30 day of the event. 200 Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0770 sagharborwhalingmuseum.org

Arts and fine crafts are within reach at the **7th Annual Friends Bazaar** at Ashawagh Hall in Springs from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. You'll find Ceramics, sculpture, fiber arts, jewelry, hats, scarves, bags, sachets and linens, wood-craft, soaps and skin products and more. Handmade items of quality for every price range. See old friends, have some cider, look around. Corner of Springs-Fireplace Road and Old Stone Highway in Springs. 631-323-3232.

The Madoo Conservancy hosts the **Merry Madoo Holiday Market** from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. There will be exclusive vendors, including Denis Colomb, The Printery, Anna Clejan Pottery, Susan Nieland Jewelry, Abigail Vogel Botanicals and Gretchen Comly Designs. They'll also have potted paperwhites and boughs from the garden and gifts for the gardener. Authors

Scott Currie (*Joan Rivers Confidential*), Richard Keith Langham (*About Decorating: the Remarkable Rooms of Richard Keith Langham*), Cathy Graham (*Second Bloom: Cathy Graham's Art of the Table*) and Miguel Flores-Vianna (*Haute Bohemians*) will be signing books. 618 Sagg Main Street, Sagaponack. 631-537-8200, madoo.org

The **Christmas Bazaar** at the Shinnecock Community Center takes place from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. They'll have handmade goods, food and raffles for baskets of goodies. 100 Church Street, Shinnecock Indian Reservation, Southampton. 631-283-1760

Booking it: Any grandma worth her salt will tell you, that money spent on books is money well spent. Sag Harbor's Billy Baldwin has recently released **Wipeout the Wave**, which tells the story of a wave in search of the place he belongs. Wipeout travels the Seven Seas searching for other waves like him, ultimately finding what he's looking for. The moral: We are all different but every one of us is important in immeasurable and enormous ways.

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DATE NIGHT

Dinner and a Show—A Christmas Carol: A Live Radio Play

When: November 30, 5 p.m.

Where: Southampton Cultural Center, 25 Pond Lane, Southampton

What: Enjoy dinner with friends before a performance of *A Christmas Carol: A Live Radio Play*. The classic comes to life as a live 1940s radio broadcast complete with vintage commercials, live sound effects and musical underscoring. The show starts at 7 p.m.

Contact: 631-287-4377, scc-arts.org

DOCS

Hamptons Take 2 Film Festival Opening Day

When: November 30, 2–8 p.m.

Where: Bay Street Theater, 1 Bay Street, Sag Harbor
What: Now in its 10th year, HT2FF brings the work of talented documentary filmmakers to new audiences, recognizing and honoring films and filmmakers who deserve a closer look.

Contact: 631-725-9500, ht2ff.com

GIFTS

7th Annual Wooden Wonderland

When: December 2, 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Where: Suffolk County Historical Society, 300 West Main Street, Riverhead

What: Holiday show and sale featuring handmade carvings by local craftspeople. Santas, gnomes, ornaments, birds, fish and more. Free admission. See related story on page 38.

Contact: 631-727-2881, suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org

SHELLABRATE

6th Annual Greenport Shellabration

When: December 2 and 3, noon–4 p.m.

Where: Village of Greenport

What: A restaurant walk, which features the best in local shellfish, wine and beer. Wristbands grant participants access the very best culinary creations of Greenport's leading chefs. Discounts and promotions at participating merchants throughout Greenport Village.

Contact: shellabration.li

PARTY

Fourth Annual Holiday Cocktail Party at the Museum

When: December 2, 5–7:30 p.m.

Where: Sag Harbor Whaling & Historical Museum, 200 Main Street, Sag Harbor

What: A rare chance to visit the Museum in December and spread good cheer among friends! A gathering over drinks and hors d'oeuvres in the festively decorated Sage Parlor.

Contact: 631-725-0770, sagharborwhalingmuseum.org

Kid Stuff »»»

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POETRY

Slam Poetry with the Mayhem Poets

When: November 30, 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Where: Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach

What: Grades 6–12. These young spoken word artists celebrate the power of poetry through rhythm, hip-hop and theatrical technique, communicating to

students important truths about the power of words. The Mayhem Poets combine their backgrounds in theater, comedy and music to create poetry that directly resonates with their audience members.

Contact: 631-288-1500, whbpac.org

HOLIDAY

ADTLI Presents Clara's Dream: The Nutcracker

When: December 1, 7 p.m.; December 2, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; December 3, 1 p.m.

Where: Patchogue Theatre, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue

What: Since 2000, the American Dance Theatre of Long Island has been delighting audiences with their magnificent performance of *Clara's Dream: The Nutcracker*. Witness toys that come to life, a Christmas tree that grows before your eyes, flowers that dance, and snowflakes that waltz in this classic magical story. "Crack more nuts" on page 36.

Contact: 631-207-1313, patchoguetheatre.org

SANTA CLAUS

East Hampton Village Santa Parade

When: December 2, 10 a.m.

Where: East Hampton Village, Main Street

What: Wave to Santa with his reindeer and sleigh. Children are invited to get their pictures taken with Santa at Rowdy Hall, 10 Main Street, East Hampton after the parade.

Contact: 631-324-0362, montaukchamber.com

SEAL THE DEAL

Searching for Seals at Cupsogue Beach

When: December 2, 10 a.m.

Where: Cupsogue Beach County Park, 906 Dune Road, Westhampton Beach

What: The three most common species of seals that visit Long Island this time of year are Harbor Seals, Grey Seals and Harp Seals. At low tide you can see some sunning themselves on the distant sandbar. Walk Leader: Ashley Federici, South Fork Natural History Museum (SoFo) Nature Educator

Contact: 631-537-9735, suffolkcountynyny.gov/Departments/Parks/OurParks/CupsogueBeachCountyPark

WRITER SPEAK

Author Visit: Patricia McCormick

When: December 2, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Where: John Jermain Memorial Library, 201 Main Street, Sag Harbor

What: Patricia McCormick shares her new picture book, *Sergeant Reckless*, the lovely and true story of a small mare with a big heart and an even bigger appetite who carried ammunition to soldiers during the Korean War. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Contact: 631-725-0049, johnjermain.org

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Juggling Plates at the Jedediah Hawkins Inn

BY STACY DERMONT

It had been some time since I followed the serpentine gravel drive to this grand circa 1863 Victorian mansion in Jamesport. I considered getting a room for the night, so that my husband and I could thoroughly indulge, but he sagely pointed out that I had to be back in the Hamptons at 8 a.m. the next day. So I designated myself driver. Marriage—and negotiating the dining scene together—is all about compromise.

It was too late in the fall season to make use of the outdoor seating, but it was a great night to dine in fireside coziness. Relentlessly upbeat '80s music poured forth from above. I thought that it might wear me out as Husband ordered a Speakeasy Manhattan, one of the Inn's fall cocktails. Thankfully, it arrived very quickly—just as a woman at the table next to us entertained no one by singing along to the chorus of Dexys Midnight Runners' mega-earworm. I sipped the Manhattan and found that it would indeed be quite illegal during Prohibition—boozy. As if someone above heard my silent plea, the music lowered and mellowed.

I perused the local beverages, which include select wines from Bedell Cellars, Jamesport Vineyards, Laurel Lake Vineyards, Macari Vineyards, McCall Wines, Palmer Vineyards, Paumanok Vineyards, Sparkling Pointe Vineyards and Winery, Wölffer Estate Vineyard and beer from Crooked Ladder Brewing Company and Great South Bay Brewery.

And I stayed with drinking the Inn's own triple-filtered water, which they credit to GNS Mermaid of Mattituck's reverse osmosis system. (You might find me "sparkling," but I always go for still.)

The current menu is both simple and flexible—its assortment of Small Plates and Large Plates invites diners to indulge.

Husband went right for the Charred Deep Water Spanish Octopus to start. As he said, "You can't resist that, why even try?" It smelled wonderful and briny-good and was gone before you could say "cephalopod." Just a scrum of Kalamata olives, preserved lemon and peppadew pepper remained.

I was tempted to start with the Butternut Squash Soup with Toasted Pumpkin Seeds or the American Burrata with Speck and Blistered Cherry Tomatoes—which was all the more tempting because it's sprinkled with Amagansett Sea Salt—but I was quite pleased with my selection of the Autumnal Salad. The dressing makes the salad, and this balsamic was light and just the right touch on the baby lettuces, golden raisins, radish, toasted almonds, cherry tomatoes and goat cheese. This salad was very pretty in its presentation, even more so with a dusting of freshly ground black pepper.

Our server Tatiana suggested that we might like to try the Crispy Crescent Farm Duck Legs Confit. She was quite right. We'd had duck wings confit here in the past, but there's "more to love" now—served with sriracha for a kick and Greek yogurt to coolly blend all together. Colorful microgreens and chopped

chives accent this dish of deep umami magic.

Tatiana, and all of the staff we encountered that evening, upheld the Inn's tradition of professional, congenial and soft-voiced service.

Husband had a bit of a wild look in his eye as he ordered the Wild Halibut with Baby Zucchini, Parsnip Purée and Porcini Mushrooms. I know that look. I said, "I want to try that parsnip purée."

He said, "I know, that's what sold me on it."

Tatiana suggested pairing this dish with a Macari Vineyards Chardonnay, which was nicely bright and not overly oaky, though it was served a bit colder than is optimal. It was a fine accompaniment to this entrée, and we both found the purée to be creamy and flavorful.

Right after "Mr. Dexys Midnight Runners" effectively told the room about his blood pressure and ankle, six out of the eight people at the table to the other side of us ordered Bourbon Ciders. I suspect that that too was a worthwhile "pairing."

I indulged my latent vegetarian tendencies in the Garganelli, coated with finely ground carrot top pesto, mixed with roasted eggplant and zucchini and topped with ricotta salata.

We had to take a rain check on dessert—I didn't even have room for an herbal mint tea! 🍵

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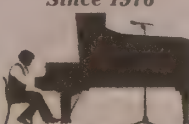


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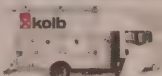
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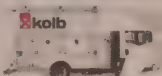
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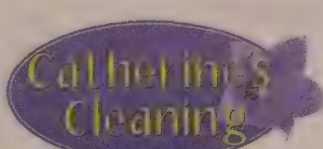
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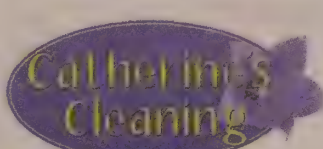
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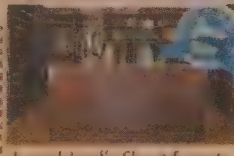
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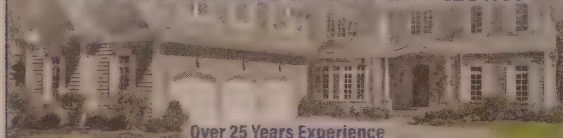
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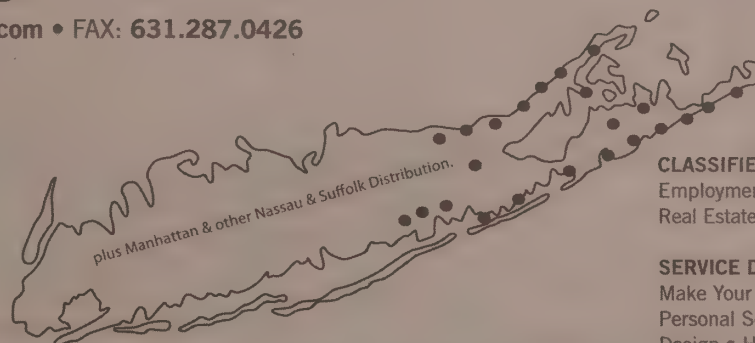
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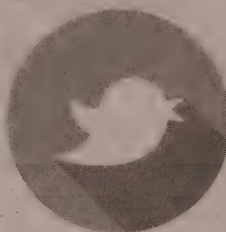
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Where are you from originally?

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What brought you to the Hamptons?

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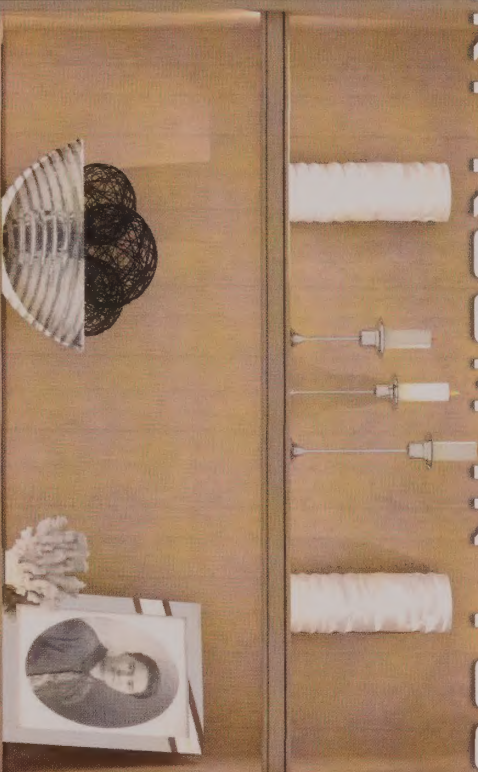
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